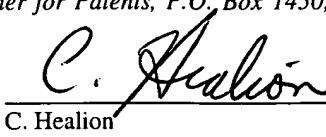




PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
FROM THE OFFICE ACTION

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Applicant : Keith David Bussell Confirmation No. 7076  
Application No. : 09/692,746  
Filed : October 18, 2000  
Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DIGITALLY SIGNING AN ADVERTISEMENT AREA NEXT TO A VALUE-BEARING ITEM  
  
Grp./Div. : 3621  
Examiner : Firmin Backer  
  
Docket No. : 40624/SAH/S850

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Commissioner:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office action dated January 19, 2005 for 2 month(s) from April 19, 2005 to June 19, 2005.

The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR § 1.17 is calculated below.

CALCULATION OF FEE			
LENGTH OF EXTENSION	SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY	Fee
WITHIN FIRST MONTH	\$ 60	\$ 120	\$
WITHIN SECOND MONTH	\$ 225	\$ 450	\$450
WITHIN THIRD MONTH	\$ 510	\$ 1020	\$
WITHIN FOURTH MONTH	\$ 795	\$1590	\$
WITHIN FIFTH MONTH	\$1080	\$2160	\$

Submitted herewith is a check for \$ 450 to cover the cost of the extension.

**Petition for Extension of Time  
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. **A copy of this letter is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,

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